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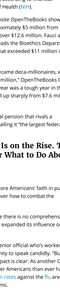

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Fauci Making Millions During COVID Pandemic Sparks Backlash

Newsweek reported:

Anthony Fauci, the White House's chief medical adviser during the COVID-19 pandemic, and his wife saw their net worth go up $5 million from before the start of the health crisis through 2021, according to financial disclosures from the National Institutes of Health (NIH).

NIH financial records obtained by the website OpenTheBooks show that the couple's net worth increased by approximately $5 million from 2019 through 2021, from about $7.6 million to over $12.6 million. Fauci and his wife, Christine Grady, a bioethicist who heads the Department of Bioethics at the NIH Clinical Center, had a net worth that exceeded $11 million in 2022, according to the U.K.'s Daily Mail.

"During the pandemic years, the Faucis became deca-millionaires, with their household net worth exceeding $10 million," OpenTheBooks CEO Adam Andrzejewski told Fox News. "Last year was a tough year in the markets. However, Fauci's net worth is still up sharply from $7.6 million in 2019."

Fauci is estimated to be collecting a federal pension that rivals a presidential salary, Andrzejewski added, calling it "the largest federal retirement package in history."

The Anti-Vaccine Movement Is on the Rise. The White House Is at a Loss Over What to Do About It.

Politico reported:

A Biden administration that vowed to restore Americans' faith in public health has grown increasingly paralyzed over how to combat the resurgence in vaccine skepticism.

And internally, aides and advisers concede there is no comprehensive plan for countering a movement that's steadily expanded its influence on the president's watch.

"There's a real challenge here," said one senior official who's worked on the COVID response and was granted anonymity to speak candidly. "But they keep just hoping it'll go away." And the impact is unclear: As another COVID vaccination campaign gets underway, fewer Americans than ever have kept up to date on their shots. Child vaccination rates against the flu are steadily lower than before the pandemic.

Republicans are now more than twice as likely to believe the shots should be optional than they did in 2019. Democrats, by contrast, remain overwhelmingly in favor of childhood vaccine requirements.

Northeastern Among Sites Chosen by CDC to Establish 'National Weather Service' for Infectious Disease

The Boston Globe via MSN reported:

Northeastern University has been selected for a leading role in a new national network formed to better forecast the spread of a future pandemic.

The university announced Tuesday the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has awarded it $17.5 million over the next five years to develop a center focused on detecting and preparing for the next outbreak of infectious disease, especially in rural areas.

Alessandro Vespignani, director of Northeastern's Network Science Institute, is leading the project, called "EPISTORM: The Center for Advanced Epidemic Analytics and Predictive Modeling Technology."

The money comes through the CDC's Center for Forecasting and Outbreak Analytics, which was formed last year with the goal, Vespignani said, of creating "what would be a National Weather Service for epidemic threats." NU is among 13 centers in the CDC's new outbreak response network. Boston University's is also a subcontractor working with NU.

U.S. Government Awards $45 Million for Long COVID Clinics

Reuters reported:

The U.S. government is awarding $45 million in grants to help clinics treating long COVID develop new models of care and expand research access, the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) said on Wednesday.

Nine clinics will receive $1 million in grants annually over the next five years through the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) within HHS, the department said.

President Joe Biden had tasked HHS last year with developing a national action plan to tackle long COVID, a complex, multi-symptom condition that arises months after a COVID-19 infection and leaves many of its sufferers unable to work.

The funding will be used for increasing in-person and virtual visits, establishing new satellite clinics, and an education initiative aimed at growing referrals. Limited knowledge and acceptance among clinicians have contributed to delays in diagnoses and referrals.

COVID Leveling Off in Some Areas of the Country, Despite Uptick in Cases

NBC News reported:

Wastewater data suggest that the recent uptick in COVID cases may have peaked, at least in some areas.

Biobot Analytics, a company that tracks wastewater samples at 257 sites nationwide, said that the current wave of COVID levels across the United States are approximately 5% lower than they were last week.

"All fingers crossed," Cristin Young, a Biobot epidemiologist said, "this wave is plateauing and may be declining."

After a mid- to late-summer rise, the CDC's COVID wastewater surveillance now shows declines in mid-Atlantic states, such as Virginia and Maryland. Wastewater collection sites in the Midwest and the Northeast, however, show a steady uptick in COVID spread.

Moderna to Cut mRNA Drug Substance Production at Lonza Facility

Reuters reported:

Moderna (MRNA.O) said on Tuesday it will cut production of mRNA drug substance for its COVID-19 vaccine at Lonza's (LONN.S) facility in Switzerland this quarter as part of a plan to align manufacturing of the shots with lower post-pandemic demand.

The U.S. company had said last week it was in talks with its partners that fill vials and syringes globally to downsize its production ahead of 2024.

Such a move will help Moderna adjust to the sharp fall in demand for COVID vaccines as payers cut back orders for the shots, partly following the end of the public health emergency for the disease.

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Fauci's government pension is a travesty. He should be spending his retirement in a prison making license plates or something else that is far removed from healthcare.
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You can add to Fauci's actual income a large measure of the (at least) $40,000,000 Peter Daszak received from Fauci's NIH for the "origin of the virus" research, in their share of the patent profits from the vaccines. The amount of the payments became known via a FOIA request. the percipient payment allocations were redacted or withheld.
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All of Fauci's wealth needs to go to people damaged and killed by his wicked creation.
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Caroline Cary Davidson
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what is up with this nonsense of using wastewater to supposedly measure the occurrence of disease? do they even say what the exact metric is? are they looking for spike protein? what is the point of this? is it to scare people into getting the next unnecessary booster shot? a measure? remember a couple years ago when Gates tried to get everyone in a tizzy over polio in sewer water? people getting vaxed (even though we don't use the live virus version here in the US, they saw that for the gpi folks in Africa,) and seeing is all it takes for that to happen! measures in wastewater are full of sh** (pun intended, lol).
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Robert Sagnimeni
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Fauci is the 'normal' since he is today's modern Dr. Mengele and the one that had to take all the flak from the Down that hit as a "DOCTOR" and "EXPERT" in the motley, pushed, assumed, confirmed, and swore that it was SAFE, EFFECTIVE and would SAVE MILLIONS!! It takes lots of money to be in that position and situation in order to fool and kill thousands of trusting and law abiding good citizens! OHHH where is he NOW?? How come he is no longer on TV DUKS explaining WHAT HAPPENED AND WHY ALL DIDN'T WORK (even if he and all knew it was at a scam and fraud)? Did the dirty job, got paid for it, and off he's gone and put somewhere else, just like Mengele and other Gestapo!!! IF WILL REAL SIGNIFICANTS these Crimes would be brought to court, tried, convicted and jailed, for a longtime while removing the money they made while killing many! So it's clear that there is no democracy, isn't it??
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Barry Burton
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We need to go further than this. These are exorcheart cruel crimes against innocent people 'sacked on'. This penalty should be nothing short of a 'Torture Chamber' and or Hanging. These criminals killed Mommies, Daddies, Children, Friends and Family. They deserve NOTHING!
SET A LESSON FOR THE NEXT CHARACTER!!!
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Absolutely, Yes!!!
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shushpkin@gmail.com
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Wow... there's lots of rattlesnakes here where I live... should I get a rattlesnake shot, too ?
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noskee8
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Covid Crusher
3 minute preparation to job done!!
3 mins is long, even read, or heard, is totally irrelevant . how simple is that Covid Crusher. Mix one heaped teaspoon of iodine table salt in a mug of warm clean water, cup a hand and sniff or snort the entire mug/cup up your nose, spitting out anything which comes down into your mouth. If sore, then you have a virus, so continue morning noon and night or more often if you want, until the soreness goes away (2-3 minutes) then blow out your nose and blow your nose, and then you're done. Alternatively a couple of mouthfuls of salt water and if you have burning in your lungs, salt killing virus and pneumonia, there too.
My simple salt water cure, kills all Coronaviruses and viruses, as soon as you think you have an infection, or while self isolating, before the viruses mutate into the dinosaur in your head and body, for which there is no cure - that is, after you have been out shopping, or mixing with people with potentials, Omicrons or Delta viruses, or any other virus.
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noskee8
Salt water snuffed up was all that could cure my infected sinuses years ago. It still works wonders.
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Agreed and it is the only free way to kill Coronaviruses in the nasal passages of the head - having a vaccine shot in the arm makes no sense whatsoever, unless the vaccines are for a very different purpose - but I'm not going to go there, because I'm not a nut case. I'm a retired Bluetooth and see if you can find your vaccinated new MAC address, please ask nicely is now transmitting by 5G to a computer somewhere. Tell you what, for a laugh, take your Android 5 phone to the local graveyard and use it to scan the graves of the newly deparated who have been vaccinated and surprise, surprise, they are emitting their own MAC addresses too, just like your vaccinated body is.
Fancy that - Am I vaccinated, my name is Richard, not willy.
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